

EXPLORE OUR SCENIC BEAUTY

National Scenic Byways

The Ohio River Scenic Byway follows the mighty Ohio River, passing through hilly countryside and historic towns like Madison. The Indiana National Road celebrates its 200th birthday in 2006. It is a 156-mile slice of Americana—crossing through Antique Alley, by a '50s era diner, and much more.

State Parks

Many of Indiana's best natural beauty spots can be found at state parks, reservoirs, and forests. Two of the most visited state properties are Brown County State Park (Nashville) and Turkey Run State Park (Marshall).

ENGAGE IN OUR CULTURAL HERITAGE

Architecture

Ranked sixth in the nation by the American Institute of Architects, Columbus has been recognized as a leader in architectural quality and innovation. Come see for yourself why Columbus is ranked with the nation's elite in architecture.

Amish

Visit Indiana's Amish country. Start your adventure at Amish Acres (Nappanee) and the Menno-Hof center (Shipshewana). Experience Amish culture through its food at Das Dutchman Essenhaus (Middlebury) and the Blue Gate Restaurant and Theater (Shipshewana).

The Lincoln Museum

Experience Abraham Lincoln and the American Experiment exhibit at The Lincoln Museum (Fort Wayne). It's a stimulating look at Lincoln's life, how he helped to build the United States into a great nation, and his legacy that lives on today. The collection includes signed copies of the Emancipation Proclamation and the 13th Amendment,

19th-century prints, photographs and newspapers,



and Lincoln family belongings. Today, the museum houses the world's largest private Lincoln collection.

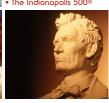






- Indiana Uplands Wine Trail
- Amish Country
- Ohio River Scenic Byway
- The Lincoln Museum
- The Indianapolis 500®





ENCOUNTER OUR RURAL AMERICA

Conner Prairie

Step back in time at Conner Prairie (Fishers). This open-air living history museum portrays life in America's heartland during the 1800s.

The Dairy Adventure at Fair Oaks Farms

With 27,000 cows, 2,500 calves, and 9,000 milking sites, Fair Oaks Dairy Adventure (Fair Oaks) is located on one of the largest working dairy farms in the United States.

Midwest Farmers Market (Spring 2007)

Enjoy a 51,000 square foot, temperature-controlled farmers market, complete with a food court (Elkhart). Featuring 493 vendor spaces, the market will sell locally grown produce and related products. The market will also offer cooking classes, special events, and fun kid's activities.

EXPERIENCE OUR SPORTS

Casinos

Visit the newest of Indiana's 11 casinos. After \$382 million in renovations, the French Lick Springs Resort & Casino is open with 443 rooms, a 42,000-square-foot gaming floor, a 27,000-square-foot spa service, and the restored Donald Ross golf course.

Horse Track

Hoosier Park Race Track (Anderson) and Indiana Downs (Shelbyville) offer great live thoroughbred, harness racing, and more, along with satellite coverage of other racing from across the country.

Indianapolis Motor Speedway

Indianapolis is known for its motor sports. No other facility is as famous (or holds bigger crowds) as the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. This 2.5-mile racetrack plays host to three of the biggest races in the world. Visit the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Hall of Fame Museum, recognized as one of the best automobile and auto racing museums in the world.

EXTRA INFORMATION AVAILABLE

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Indiana weather in the May through October travel season is warm, with the average daytime temperature ranging from the upper 70s to the upper 80s F (mid-to-high 20s C). Evenings average in the mid 50s F (mid-teens C).

PRODUCTION TOURS:

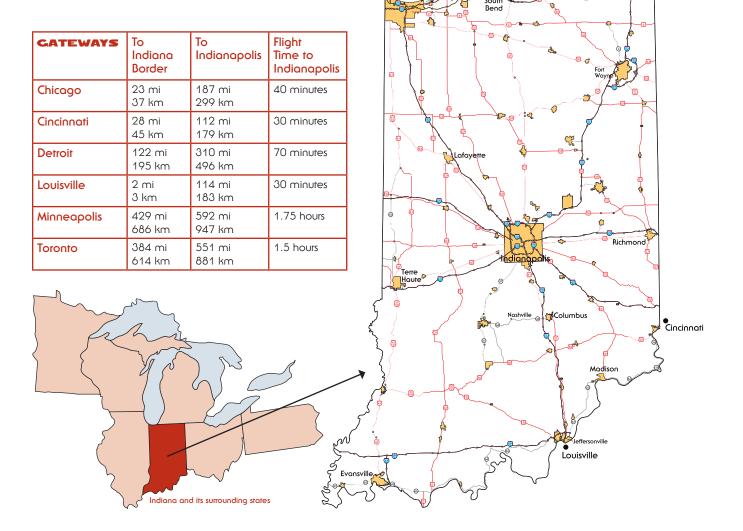
- Biomet, Warsaw
- Coachmen RV Company, Middlebury
- The Dairy Adventure at Fair Oaks Farms, Fair Oaks
- Deutsch Kase Haus, Middlebury
- Harps on Main, Rising Sun
- Hoosier Bat Company, Valparaiso
- Kokomo Opalescent Glass, Kokomo
- Le Studio des Parfums, Atlanta
- Not Just Popcorn, Edinburgh
- Riegsecker Furniture, Shipshewana
- Schimpff's Confectionary, Jeffersonville
- Sechler's Pickle Factory, St. Joe
- South Bend Chocolate Company, South Bend
- Twinrocker Handmade Paper, Brookston
- Walter Piano Company, Elkhart

POPULAR FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

- Amish Acres Arts and Crafts Festival, Nappanee (August)
- Auburn Cord Duesenberg Festival, Auburn (August-September)
- Parke County Covered Bridge Festival, Parke County (October)
- Elkhart Jazz Festival, Elkhart (June)
- Feast of the Hunters' Moon, Lafayette (October)
- Indianapolis 500, Indianapolis (May)
- Indy Jazz Festival, Indianapolis (June)
- Johnny Appleseed Festival, Fort Wayne (September)
- Marshall County Blueberry Festival, Plymouth (September)
- Remembering James Dean Festival, Fairmount (September)
- Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, Vincennes (May)
- Strassenfest, Jasper (August)

Michigan City

- US Grand Prix, Indianapolis (July)
- The Wizard of Oz Festival, Valparaiso (September)



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